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OPTICAL CROSS-CONNECT SWITCHES
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully responds herein to the Office Action mailed on June 11, 2003. Please enter the following amendments and remarks in the above referenced patent application:

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